Granger Allegany Co. N. Y.

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To the Hon Wm Lloyd Garrison

43 Dear Sir— having noticed your reply in a letter to a colored voter at Springfield Illinois printed in the Albany Weekly Journal I here in Proffer you the same challenge I addressed to the Hon Wendall Phillips of which he refuses to except— a copy of which I will here in enclose — To the Hon Wendell Phillips Dear Sir having taken into consideration the veery conspicuous Position you have taken in the affairs of our Government so absolute in your declaration in equaling the Negro with man or as you term it the Black with the White— I here in call you to an account for the unpardonable error you have committed before God and our Government as being one of the main bodies of sedition that has brought about this greate catastrophe if I understand you correctly you dont — pretend the constitution of our Government

Sustained you but the higher Law the Law
of God upholds you — now Sir if you are able
to prove by the Scripture Old and new Testament
or from any divine revelation you have received
from on high either or both you are bound to —
make it manifest other wise you are guilty of
Sedition — I here in declare if God and the —
Scriptures be true all of which I am competent to
satisfy every Inteligent mind are true the
The Negro is not a man in the Proper sense
of the word which was with God and was God
at any time you may declare between the 17th
of September and the first of October next I will
meet you in Public debate upon that Question
alone Please name your time and place and oblige
yours H Alvan Doolittle

I wish to behold the things that are eaqual that is
from God the rock of my strength in whom I trust
my Salvation and my high Tower — let me hear
from you at once on receipt of this that I may be
prepared to meet you at any time and place without
delay that you may decide yours H Alvan Doolittle

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